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**Cc:** Cacho, Julia[Cacho.Julia@epa.gov]  
**From:** Tapia, Cecilia  
**Sent:** Wed 1/29/2014 7:02:49 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Blunt Thank YOu --Body of Letter and Enclosures

Looks good. Were we also going to include the flood/levee info ?

**From:** Hague, Mark  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:55 AM  
**To:** Tapia, Cecilia; Hammerschmidt, Ron  
**Cc:** Cacho, Julia  
**Subject:** FW: Blunt Thank YOu --Body of Letter and Enclosures  
**Importance:** High

One last look to concur

**From:** Sanders, LaTonya  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:46 AM  
**To:** Hague, Mark; Cacho, Julia  
**Subject:** RE: Blunt Thank YOu --Body of Letter and Enclosures  
**Importance:** High

Attached is the finalized letter.

Please review and it will be prepared for concurrence.

Thanks.

**From:** Hague, Mark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2014 5:52 PM  
**To:** Cacho, Julia; Sanders, LaTonya  
**Subject:** Blunt Thank YOu --Body of Letter and Enclosures

Julia and LaTonya

Here is the body of a thank you letter to Sen Blunt along with two of the three enclosures. The "table" we refer to is located on the "H" drive and may be title SFS ES-2 table.

This probably needs a little polish

Thanks

Mark

Thank you for arranging the meeting to give the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) an opportunity to update you and your staff on our ongoing work at the Westlake Landfill Superfund site. It was helpful to have representatives from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources participate to be able to address concerns with the subsurface smoldering event at the Bridgeton Landfill as well as having the operator of the site, Republic Services, present. This agency has appreciates Kerry DeGregorio's and Downey Palmer's regular participation on the frequent conference calls Region 7 conducts to brief elected officials.

During the course of the meeting you made several requests for follow up information. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the table from Supplemental Feasibility Study (SFS) that we showed you during our meeting. That information was developed by the PRP under EPA's oversight and is included Supplemental Feasibility Study. The table on page ES-2 identifies estimated costs of the remedy that was included in the proposed Record of Decision (ROD) in 2008, as well as cost estimates for other remedies contemplated in that SFS report. I am also enclosing a map provided to us from MDNR titled "Public Water System Well: MCL Violations for Combined Radium 226 and Radium 228". Your office may have received this information directly from MDNR.

You also requested that we provide you with information this agency is developing to provide insight on a question that has been raised by some concerned interest groups. That question, “What would happen if the subsurface smoldering event in the Bridgeton Landfill were to come in contact with the radiological impacted material at the Westlake site?” is currently being evaluated by the EPA’s Office of Research and Development (ORD), along with information provided to EPA by Republic Services. Since the SSE is occurring in a landfill under MDNR authority we continue to cooperate with them on developing a response to that question. We anticipate that this agency will have completed that evaluation near the end of March. Once that work is completed we will provide your office with a copy. If, we encounter any delays we will also notify your office.

The Agency will continue to keep your office, and other Congressional offices, informed of EPA activities at the Westlake Landfill and our coordinated efforts with MDNR to implement the contingency plans ordered by the State Attorney General to construct an isolation barrier between the SSE in the Bridgeton Landfill and the Westlake Landfill site.

If you or your staff have any additional questions please feel free to contact LaTonya Sanders at 913.551.xxxx.

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